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	WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549	
	FORM 8-K	
	CURRENT REPORT	
	UANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF CURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 193	
Date of R	deport (Date of earliest event reported): October	r 5, 2004
	Verticalnet, Inc. Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)	
Pennsylvania (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	000-25269 (Commission File Number)	23-2815834 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
400 Chester Field Parkway, Mal- (Address of Principal Executive O		19355 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone, including area code: (610) 240-0600

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of
the following provisions:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On October 5, 2004, Verticalnet, Inc. (Verticalnet) issued a press release updating Verticalnet s financial outlook for the quarter ended September 30, 2004. The full text of such press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits.

The following press release is included as an exhibit to this report furnished under Item 9.01:

99.1 Press Release dated October 5, 2004 issued by Verticalnet, Inc.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

VERTICALNET, INC.

Date: October 6, 2004 By: /S/ GENE S. GODICK

Name: Gene S. Godick

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press Release, dated October 5, 2004 issued by Verticalnet, Inc